# MINUTES OF THE

# Georgia State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology December 6, 2004

The Georgia State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology met Monday, December 6, 2004 at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia. The Board meeting was called to order with the following members present:

### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Albert R. De Chicchis, Ph.D., Chair Kaye Williams Hill Yvonne McNeil Winn Hill, Vice Chair

#### **MEMBERS ABSENT**

Alan B. Whitehouse, M.D.

### STAFF PRESENT

Molly Fleeman, Division Director Professional Licensing Boards Janet Wray, Senior Assistant Attorney General Beverly Cobb, Applications Specialist Adrian Whitehead, Board Secretary Lee Tracy, Executive Director

**CALL TO ORDER** –Chairman De Chicchis established that a quorum was present and the meeting was called to order at 8:45 a.m.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion, K. Hill, seconded, W. Hill, and the Board voted to enter into **Executive Session** in accordance with O.C.G.A. 43-1-2(k) and 43-1-19(h) to deliberate on applications and investigations. Voting in favor of the motion were W. Hill, McNeil, and A. De Chicchis. The Board **concluded Executive Session** in order to vote on these matters and to continue with the public session.

#### **OPEN SESSION**

### **COGNIZANT REPORT**

SLPA040012 Request all financial account information to include a contract, bill of sale, purchase agreement, return policy, etc. Motion K. Hill, seconded McNeil and motion carried, to accept the recommendations and report of the Cognizant.

SLPA050019 Current status reported as assigned to Investigative Agent on November 29, 2004. Motion K. Hill, seconded McNeil and motion carried, to accept the report of the Cognizant.

- M.C. Received CE certificates for compliance with Ethic's requirement for Private Consent Order. Recommends close case. Motion K. Hill, seconded McNeil and motion carried, to accept the recommendations and report of the Cognizant.
- J.B. Found in violation of Private Consent Order. Further disciplinary actions imposed. Motion K. Hill, seconded McNeil and motion carried, to accept the recommendations and report of the Cognizant.

# **MINUTES**

Motion K. Hill, seconded W. Hill and motion carried to approve the minutes of the October 18, 2004 meeting.

### **MISCELLANEOUS**

Board member K. Hill provided the Board with a list of Council on Academic Accreditation (CAA) approved schools listed by state. Board Chair and Vice Chair briefed board on the minutes of a meeting with Secretary of State Cox on November 4, 2004.

Board members and Board staff will research previous Board Meeting notes and minutes for a plan of action on how to continue with additional rule change recommendations.

Board Chair A. De Chicchis will prepare a newsletter which will be available for board review on January 10, 2005.

Board Chair A. De Chicchis inquired on the Board's role with regard to initiating legislative changes. Director, M. Fleeman advised the Board that the legislature does consider and encourages feedback from the Board but is more receptive to legislative changes initiated by Professional Associations. The next Legislative Session begins January 10, 2005. Board members will contact members of ASHA, AAA, and GSHA in an effort to obtain language for a proposal to the legislature.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

A correspondence was received by Board Chair A. De Chicchis from Audiology Associates of Georgia. The concern was in reference to the specific laws regarding the interstate dispensing of hearing aids by Audiologists. The Board does not have established rules governing interstate sales of hearing aids and cannot govern interstate commerce. The Board can respond to complaints about Audiologist regarding conduct of such practices.

# STATES FOR ENDORSEMENT

The Board will review the rules and laws governing current states approved for endorsement during the next scheduled Board meeting.

# **APPLICATIONS**

Motion K. Hill, seconded McNeil, and motion carried, to accept the recommendations on applications.

### ASHA

Heather Guger Approved Jane Hopkins Approved Kennifer Kephart Approved Kathleen Palmer Approved Amy Pollingue Pending Twahia Riley Approved Karen Routman Approved Lisa Stokes Approved

# **EXAMS**

Carrie Benham Approved Chrintina Buckley Approved Kelisah Darling Approved Dianna Debalski Approved Samantha Dupue Approved Quanyana Gaskins Pending Keanna Gully Approved Whitney Hale Approved Kimberly Horton Approved Rebecca Johns Pending Kate Kendrick Approved Letha Koenishauo Approved Tania Labossiere Approved Sara Lentz Approved Jilmil Mathers Approved Lisa Quattlebaum Approved Alison Rollins Approved Joanie Swanson Approved Amanda Vonier Pending Tamla Watkins Approved Melodie Watson Approved

### REINSTATEMENT

Wanda Velez-Davila Approved Meryl Kaufman Approved Joyce Carmichael Approved

### SPEECH AIDE

Meredith Oakey Approved

# CEU PROVIDER

Audina Hearing Denied
Belltone Approved

# ENDORSEMENT

Lois Balloun Approved Susie Boustead Approved Courtnie Daly Approved Rosalyn Domenick Approved Brenda Few Approved Linda Fowler Approved Deborah Hale Approved Clare Lashley Approved Kristin Panks Approved Daniel Pelham Denied

# **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, motion K. Hill, seconded W. Hill and motion carried to adjourn the meeting at 1:40 p.m.

Albert R. De Chicchis, Chair GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY AND AUDIOLOGY Mollie L. Fleeman, Division Director PROFESSIONAL LICENSING BOARDS DIVISION

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